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FROM US DEL LOS

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SUBJ: LATIN AMERICANS DISCUSSING POST-CARACAS LOS MEETING

1. USDEL IS HEARING FROM A NUMBER OF LATIN AMERICAN DELEGATIONS THAT THE LA GROUP HAS BEGUN WIDESPREAD PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HOLDING A POST-CARACAS LATIN AMERICAN MEETING IN AN ATTEMPT TO UNIFY LA POSITIONS ON THE VARIOUS LOS ISSUES BEFORE 1975 SESSION OF LOS CONFERENCE TAKES PLACE. THE DISCUSSIONS ARE IN THEIR EARLY AND TENTATIVE STAGES, WITH IMPETUS APPARENTLY COMING MAINLY FROM PERU AND ECUADOR. PRESENT DISCUSSIONS ENVISION EXCLUSION OF US PARTICIPATION.

2. OUR SOURCES ADMIT THAT THE LATINS ARE BADLY DIVIDED AS TO
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TIMING, VENUE AND AGENDA OF SUCH A MEETING. SUGGESTIONS

AS TO TIMING RANGE FROM SEPTEMBER 1974 TO FEBRUARY 1975,
AND MANY SUGGESTIONS AS TO LOCATION (E.G. MEXICO CITY,
BUENOS AIRES, QUITO, LIMA AND CARACAS) ARE BEING PUT FORTH.
DISCUSSIONS ARE FOCUSSED ON A MEETING OF EXPERTS TO BE
FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY A MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

3. SOME OF OUR SOURCES STATE THAT THE LA GROUP IS SO
DIVIDED ON ALL ASPECTS OF SUCH A MEETING THAT THE POSSIBILITY
OF IT BEING HELD AT ALL IS DOUBTFUL, AND THAT THE SUCCESS
OF THE MEETING IS PROBLEMATIC AT BEST.

4. A VENEZUELAN DELEGATE TOLD A DELOFF THAT THE LA GROUP
WILL MEET AT THE END OF THE CONFERENCE TO REVIEW ITS WORK
AND TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION AS TO A POST-CARACAS INTER-
SESSIONAL MEETING. THIS SOURCE INDICATED THAT ANY SUCH
MEETING WOULD NOT BE HELD IN CARACAS.
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